

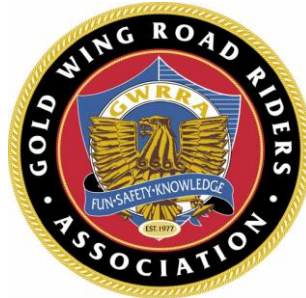
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CHAPTER DIRECTORS MESSAGE

We are now in the month of April so much is happening now .Easter has past and hope all had a great Easter.

We had our monthly meeting and have scheduled some rides for the upcoming season . The schedule is at the end of the newsLetter .

As stated last month I have started to recruit new members to the GWRRA family and we have had 2 new members join so far and hope to have them join in the fun of Chapter F in May.

Would like to Welcome Bill & Dee Bascom To the GWRRA Family .When you see them Say Hi

BILL & JUANITA

NH District Directors Message



Spring has Sprung!,

The riding season has begun in New England. Chapter G had a group ride on Saturday March 20th, what great news. It appears that we may have an early spring and hopefully a wonderful riding season. Dick and I will be returning to New England in about two weeks and we look forward to seeing all of you soon. We have had a wonderful time in Florida and would like to thank Liz and the members of FL2-W in Winter Haven, for welcoming us into their chapter. We got to attend the Florida District Rally for a day. Unfortunately the rally had two days of torrential rain, which put a damper on the outside events, but on Saturday, that glorious Florida sunshine returned. On Saturday March 27, we got to attend a Spaghetti Social Fund raiser for Sarasota Chapter FL2-B2, where we got to watch the Central Florida Drill Team perform once again. As unbelievable as it sounds, their performance on Saturday was even more spectacular than the last event. (However, one of the maneuvers resulted in one of the wings needing some new chrome) New Hampshire had an excellent showing at this event, with the Hartleys, Perrins, Thibaudeaus and Williams in attendance. The Sarasota Chapter was especially nice to the Thibaudeaus as we won the Grand Prize, which includes a two night hotel stay in Sarasota, a \$50.00 dinner certificate and two half days of deep sea fishing. Thank you so much FL2-B2. There is a photo of Pat with Florida's District Director, Bill Berry and Bruce Griffin, Florida's Assistant Director at the event.

The New Hampshire group also got together to take a ride to an attraction called Solomon's Castle in Ona, Florida. While we were there we met our Regional Trainers, Dottie and Ed Bahrenburg. Mr. Solomon has built his family home, a castle, entirely out of recycled 'junk'. This was a very unique and interesting tour, and his creativity in making items from recycled car parts, oil drums, beer cans, coat hangers and any other material he could find was truly amazing. That saying "one man's junk is another man's treasure" certainly is true for Mr. Solomon.

We have only three and a half months until our New England Districts Rally. This is truly New Hampshire's time to shine. We are looking forward to hosting the rally and are hoping for great weather. Please remember to reserve your room at the Town & Country Inn, complete your Rally reservation form and mail it to Madalyn Sprague. We will have a 50-60's theme, so get your poodle skirts, bobby socks, and blue jeans ready for the event. We are looking for any assistance you can give us at the event. We will be looking for members to assist with guided rides, the registration area, door prizes, hospitality room, and selling 50/50 tickets. Please remember that we request each Chapter to provide at least three door prizes valued at approximately \$10.00 each. We also welcome any goodies you would like to bake or bring for our Hospitality room.

We would like to ask all Chapter Directors to forward us a copy of this years ride schedule. We will try to join your chapter for at least one ride.

Don't forget April 15th is the deadline to enter into the Region's Wing Ding Contest. All that you need to do is forward your Wing Ding Reservation number to Crystal and Dave Godin. You will then be entered into the drawing for free hotel accommodations at Wing Ding.

In closing, we would like to wish you and your families a very Happy Easter. We hope the Easter Bunny fills your basket with lots of well deserved sunshine and all the joys of spring!!!

Happy Easter
Pat and Dick

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE (Hopefully we will hear from Mary & Andy in May)



Andy is at a loss of words this month!!!

Dave and Sue Perrin District Educators



It may have been a cold winter in Florida but it is finally over and hot weather is fast approaching. We did a fair amount of riding, and hope to do more when we get back up north. We participated in Rally's down here by volunteering our services. We rode with 5 different motorcycle groups, and are stimulated to hear that there will be more GWRRA Education opportunities in the coming months. The following points help refresh..., recall. Take it upon yourselves to take advantage of all GWRRA has to offer. There are opportunities to fit everyone's abilities and interest levels. Be on the lookout- keep your eyes moving, your head up, and mind focused on your ride.

How Are You Starting This Riding Season?

Riding season has started. Maybe you have recently taken a CPR/First Aid class or a seminar or two during this past off-season. This means you are better prepared to help in case one of your riding buddies has an accident or a health issue, or you are prepared to be a better co-rider. Now you are available to spend more time riding now that the season is here. Hopefully you have also taken time to make sure your motorcycle is ready to go, too. You may have gone through a T-CLOCS inspection, changed the oil, replaced worn tires, kept your battery charged, or discovered that you needed a new one and replaced it. It is wise to do this inspection each time you prepare to ride.

There are other things that you can do to be at your best out on the road, too. Many of us will be out on the road before MSF or GWRRA Rider Ed. Courses are offered. So what else can you do to get in the right frame of mind and hone your skills right away? There are a few things you can do as an individual or in a group (such as with your fellow chapter members) to be prepared to ride safely.

Practice your skills in an empty, quiet parking lot with smooth pavement that is free of loose gravel or sand. Find an empty church on a weekday or a school parking lot on a weekend, away from moving vehicles. Choose a time when it is unlikely to be busy, as your safety is of the utmost importance. Work on braking, turning, curves, stopping while in a curve (remember to straighten the handlebars before braking!), and turning when pulling away from a stop. When you practice alone, always remain vigilant to vehicles, pedestrians and animals encroaching on your space.

How about attending a Rider Education Seminar? Just because you took one already, it does not exclude you from review or exempt you from taking it a second or third or fourth time. Education is ongoing. When you stop learning, you close your mind, to learning something new and recalling things that may assist you in the future or at a particular moment when you need that information the most. When it

regards your safety, it can never be stressed it enough!

Some excerpts taken from an article by
Bruce & Melissa Thayer
Former MI Asst. District Rider Educators



Please see the April issue of The Beacon for our Region Directors and Assistants articles.

Lorraine and Earl Knight
Regional Directors



From the Region Assistant Directors

Dave & Crystal Godin

Don't forget to register for Wing Ding and to send your confirmation number to Crystal and Dave Godin to be entered in the free Hotel stay at Wing Ding must be registered by April 15th.

Mail to Dave & Crystal Godin P.O. Box 289, New Ipswich, NH 03071

Or email to: cdgodin@yahoo.com

We just received this "heads-up" information...

The Alaska District of the Great Northwest Region J, is hosting the 2012 Region J Rally, "WINGS UNDER THE MIDNIGHT SUN", in

Anchorage, Alaska, July 20 - 23, 2012.

We know a trip to Alaska is a big commitment so we're sending this announcement out now in order to give anyone & everyone interested plenty of time to plan this ride. This date gives members wishing to attend the Alaskan Rally 12 days to make the ride to Alaska from where ever Wing Ding 2012 would be held.

We are very interested in doing this trip in 2012. Right now we don't have a clue as to when, where, or how we plan on doing it, because it is just a dream...

Also, we were thinking that we could possibly hire a transport company to haul the bikes back, and we could fly back home anytime we wish, if we do not want (or have the time) to ride back to the Northeast from Anchorage.

So, if you think you might be interested in planning a trip to Wing Ding 2012 and going on to the Region J Rally in 2012, let us know and we can talk about some plans to fulfill our dream.

Lorraine & Earl Knight

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PS: Feel Free to pass this on to any of your friends that might be interested

CHAPTER EDUCATION

This Month We discussed the need to do inspections of Motorcycles before starting out for the day.

You can find the following Check lists

[T clocs](#) check list

[Trike Check list](#)

[Trailer Check list](#)

We are currently looking for a Volunteer For Chapter Educator



Happy Birthday



Anniversaries

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If you would Like your info here please [Email us](#)

Date	Starting Point	Time	EVENT or Ride Location
May 8 th	Lebanon Truck stop	9am	Venco Wings open house Loudon,NH
May 9 th Mothers day	Lebanon Truck stop	2pm	Harts Turkey Farm Meredith,NH
May 15 th	TBA		District Meeting
May 22 nd			Officer training Vernon,CT
June 5 and 6 th			Officer Training Gorham ,NH
June 7 and 8 th			Officer Training Americade
June 10th	Kmart Lebanon	8am	Americade Lake George,NY
June 30 th –July 3 rd			Wing Ding Des Moines Iowa
July 22-25th			NewEngland Districts Rally Gorham ,NH
August 29 th **	TBA		NH- K Mini Golf Tournament
September 12 th **	TBA		NH-E Hobo Stew, Keene
September 26th	TBA		NH District Picnic, Mount Washington Host NH-K
October 10 th **	TBA		NH-G Fall Foilage ride
November 6—7 th **	TBA		NH-A Weekend extravaganza

**Indicates Chapter Fundraiser

This Event list will Change as More info is received.